

**REMARKS**

Claim 21 is amended herein. Claims 1-21 are pending and under consideration. Claims 1-20 are allowed.

Independent claim 21 recites the spacer comprising a single-piece elastic member and directly contacting the printed wiring board and the electronic component.

The Examiner relies upon the O-ring 12 of Huffman as corresponding to the claimed spacer. The Examiner also relies upon the capacitor 4 and the circuit board 2 of Huffman as respectively corresponding to the claimed electronic component and printed wiring board. However, the O-ring 12 does not contact the capacitor 4.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.


Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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